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## LL Tags City, YLSD With \$196,000 Suit

### City Annexes 1264 Acres of Eastern Ranch Lands

### Seeks Money for Field Improvements



THAT TIME AGAIN—Star staffer Nancy Hybl reminds everyone that 2 a.m. on Sunday, April 24, is the time to set clocks AHEAD ONE HOUR to inaugurate Daylight Savings Time. Nancy utilized one of the grandfather clocks at La Rossee Jewelers on Main Street for her prop. [Jane Caswell Photo]

Yorba Linda City Council Monday night passed on first reading an ordinance approving annexation to the city of 1,264 acres on the east side of town.

The area, consisting of the Kraemer, Travis, de los Reyes, and Yorba ranches, occupies the site formed by the eastern edge of development and the Dominguez

Ranch, annexed last year. Total assessed valuation of the property is \$10,580,960. City Manager Arthur Simonian told Council.

Prior to passing the ordinance, Council called for objections to the annexation by affected property owners. None were offered. (Had owners of half the valuation of land protested, annexation would have been blocked.)

In related business, Council approved an amendment to the development plan of Shapell Industries relating to development standards of a proposed lakeside village to be developed on the Kraemer property. Also approved were tentative tract maps for three portions of the development, containing 301 planned houses.

Councilman Dale T. Chaput, a frequent critic of the development, held fast to his position by voting against all four items. Passing votes were cast by councilmen Henry W. Wedaa and Irwin Fried and Mayor Doug Groot.

Chaput had proposed instituting a minimum width of 50 feet on residential lots in the affected area instead of the 45 feet approved by Planning Commission.

He also suggested limiting building size in the lakeside area to 1800 square feet and restricting two-story units to no more than one-third of the total number, instead of the projected two-thirds. His proposals were all rejected by the other three councilmen present.

"I feel we, as a council, have misrepresented what we are going to do with these homes," declared Chaput. "This development is contrary to the concept for which I was elected."

"I think we're getting a development we're going to be proud of," countered Wedaa.

According to Planning Director Phil Paxton, some 2200 houses finally look like those being built on the 860 acres of the ranch, being developed jointly by Shapell and Kraemer.

Houses in the lakeside development will sell for \$200,000 and up. Shapell representative Bernard McCune told the council, adding that his firm hopes to put the first units on the market by the end of the year.

In other action, Council voted to end city services to the Valley View Little League ball field effective May 4, pending action by a general meeting of Yorba Linda Little League May 3 and in view of a suit brought by the Little League

A dispute over use of the Little League field on Valley View, which has been simmering since 1974, came to a boil last week when the Yorba Linda Little League tagged everyone in sight with a \$196,000 suit.

Named in the suit in Orange County Superior Court were the Yorba Linda School District, the City of Yorba Linda, the County of Orange and 100 John Does.

The league wants the lease on the field to be enforced through July of 1977. It wants compensation for all fixtures including lights supplied by the city at a cost of \$20,000. Other improvements have been bleachers, backstops and dugouts.

The league leased the field in 1964 from the School District which later entered a joint powers agreement for use with the city. This action gave the city the prerogative of scheduling events on the field.

The lease expired in July of 1974 and was never renewed although Little League has continued to use the property. In the original lease there was a 90 day cancellation clause with the proviso that the LL would "clear the site."

The County is presumably included in the suit because in 1976 the County Counsel rendered an opinion that the Little League's contention of fixture ownership is not valid.

The suit was brought to light at last week's meeting of the Board of Trustees of the school district by Deputy Superintendent Edna Patridge.

The matter was referred to the County Counsel but in a letter Trustee Gerald Rost moved that the league be sent a letter. Rost declared that the district had "treated the league in fairly magnanimous fashion and we didn't expect to be repaid in this fashion. It is my feeling that in the future we would not seriously consider allowing the use of vacant land."

City officials also expressed surprise at the suit. Mayor Doug Groot, who has served in the Little League Board of Directors and as a league officer, said the matter would probably be discussed at an executive session of the council Monday night.

The city and the school district have been attempting to negotiate a swap of the Valley View site which would give to the city what it hopes to expand the area into a community park.

### Unification Hearing May 12

Preparations for the May 12 hearing on the district's bid for unification dominated last week's meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Yorba Linda School District.

That hearing will be held in Sacramento at 1:30 p.m. Trustee Gerald Rost will be the spokesman before the State Board of Education. Indications are that a sizeable group of proponents will attend the session.

A public meeting was held Monday night by the board to further plans for the hearing. Before and after that meeting board members and other unification supporters were busy preparing a presentation.

Superintendent Sterling Fox said that Joe Nolan of the state office had praised the County Committee on School District Organization's report as the "best plan we have ever seen in Sacramento." That report recommended unification.

Fox said he understands that a decision will be made by the state board at the conclusion of the hearing.

The meeting was the annual organization session. Rost administered the oath of office to recently elected trustees Paul Armstrong, James Bartel and Joan Stredler. The men retained their

seats on the board and Stredler replaced Shirley Guardia who did not run for reelection.

Armstrong was renamed board President. Bartel vice president and Stredler clerk. Trustee Rob Cromwell will serve on the Nominating Committee for the OC Committee on School District Organization.

The board voted to retain the same meeting schedule as the second and fourth Thursdays of each month with only one meeting in July, August, November and December.

The board renewed its contract with Paterson and Taggart, a professional corporation, to provide the district with legal services in regard to employer-employee relations at an hourly rate of \$75, an increase of \$10 per hour. The contract is for two years.

With approval from State Superintendent of Education Wilson Riley, the board authorized an application with the state to operate a Summer School from June 27-July 29 and to conduct inter-sessions December 19-30 and March 20-23.

### Circulation Study Kaput

Although assured at the outset of the public hearing that no upgrading is planned now but that the subject was only to get an "indication of what should be done when a road goes in when the area is developed in the future" several residents strenuously protested a Eureka-Highland Circulation study at last week's Planning Commission meeting.

The area involved is bounded by Yorba Linda Blvd., Richfield, Lakeview and Buena Vista. The study was sparked by the pending development of a small tract planned by James O'Malley in the area on the south side of Yorba Linda and the west side of Highland.

To give that tract access to major arterials the commission decided to study the entire area.

The adoption of a specific circulation plan would provide the city with a basis for requiring proper street dedications as various property owners within the specific plan boundaries made application for sub-division or development.

Eureka deadends within the area and Highland winds through it.

Area residents paraded to the podium to oppose the study and possible action. They were led by one resident who presented a 61 signature Open Letter which listed seven reasons for objecting to extending and widening Eureka and Highland.

Among the reasons was one heard frequently: "maintaining the rural atmosphere." The residents found a strong ally in Commissioner Ron McRoberts whose motion that there be no change in Eureka and that the commission recommend to the City Council that the study be received and filed was passed.

### Main Street Project

As forecast, the reconstruction of Main Street began on schedule Monday morning of this week as the contractor's heavy equipment moved in and removed the sidewalks and the street pavement on the west side.

The assault on the east side of the street took place Tuesday. As predicted, the work made it difficult for auto traffic and pedestrians. Merchants reported a heavy drop-off in foot traffic into their stores.

Parking in the areas around Main Street was at a premium and as the day wore on it was difficult to find open parking spots in lots and at curbside.

### Sign Woes Rehashed

The City Council felt that two new members on the Planning Commission should get a crack at the real estate and political sign sections of the zoning ordinance which was amended last November.

The matter came before the commission last week and generated as much difference of opinion among realtors and residents as it had previously.

It was acted upon and sent to Council again but with the pending resignation of Commission Chairman Howard Eriksen and the appointment of his successor it may well come back to the commission for another review.

Realtors spoke as Realtors and as citizens. Citizens spoke as citizens and Realtors. A homeowners association from the Rolling View Estates area offered the group's suggestions.

Crux of the real estate signs problem was the tagging of "for sale" signs with a "sold" notation.

Limitation of this practice generated much discussion as to the technicality of when a property is "sold."

It was decided that once the owners accept a purchase offer the "sold" sign can be put on the "for sale" sign for a 10 day period. Realtors would, as they have been doing, monitor the signs with residents backing them up to make sure the deadline is observed.

Political signs, especially those which remain in place for long periods after an election is over, have long been a thorn. Planning Director Phil Paxton explained how difficult it is to locate some of the sign putter-uppers.

The latest approach to the problem arrived at by the commission will be to require candidates to obtain a "no fee" permit. When he gets the permit he must agree in writing to remove the signs 10 days after the election or pay the city to remove them.

## Snead Takes A 'Mulligan'

By Jim Arkison

The people gathered slowly and the grouping never did reach the status of a crowd. That was understandable because no attempt had been made to gather a crowd.

But, it would probably not be what the two main characters are used to when they make a public appearance. Usually they perform in front of hundreds and thousands of people.

The setting was the Yorba Linda Country Club last Wednesday, April 13. Gopher Sammy Snead was scheduled to play a practice round on the golf course where the premier tournament of the Senior Profes-

sional Golfers of America will be played on May 25-29.

Reportedly, Bob Hope was to play with him and possibly former President Gerald Ford. But first Snead had to appear at a luncheon at Anaheim Stadium to promote the tourney which is named for him.

This reporter and photographer Colette Davison arrived at the scheduled hour of 1 p.m. Mayor Doug Groot was there. On the practice putting green was health buff Jack La Lanne.

More people showed up, by one's, two's and three's. Time went by and no one of importance turned up. Men in the group compensated for

the lack of the stars to look at by ogling the four obvious models in their scanty outfits. The women commented on the men looking at the models.

Finally, Willie Barber, one of the members of the foursome and an officer of the new association founded recently to assist senior golfers, drove up and got a big welcome.

Close behind was Snead wearing his familiar straw hat. He too was greeted warmly. He disappeared into the clubhouse to change clothes.

Jack Shafer, president of the

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PRO'S AND DUFFER—Five of the six men in the photo have considerable golf playing ability. One of them is out of his element but he is a strong supporter of the Senior Professional Golfers Association tournament to be held at the Yorba Linda Country Club May 25-29. That is Mayor Doug Groot, third from right. To his left is famed golfer Sammy Snead after whom tourney is named. At left are in order: Mike Austin, Jack La Lanne, Jimmy Clark and at far right is Willie Barber. Models in front are assisting in promoting the event. [Colette Davison Photo]

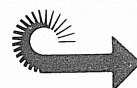
### Kid's Events at Library

The Children's Department is participating in National Library Week by holding two special events. On Wednesday, April 20, from 10 to 11 a.m., Jim Ellis, head of the Paramedic Team serving North Orange County, will speak to the Storyhour children and their parents on life saving techniques.

On Friday, April 22, from 9:30 to 10:45 a.m., Mrs. Margaret Herron, a sixth grade teacher at Fairmont Elementary School, will bring her class to the Multi-purpose room in the library to perform "A Mid-Summer Night's Dream."

This Shakespearean comedy will be presented to the fifth and sixth grade classes of the Yorba Linda Elementary Schools, Rose Drive, Linda Vista, Richard Nixon, and Mable Paine.

### the inside story



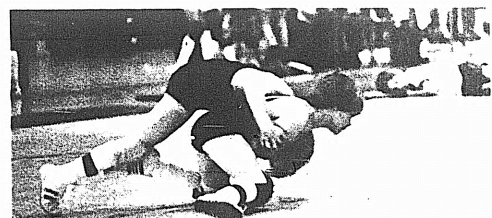
Placentia Linda Hospital has made a new appointment. For details see the article and photo on Page 3.

New births are listed in the Cradle Roll on Page 4.

A story and picture on Page 5 publicizes the Fairmont School Carnival.

Rosters for the North and South All Star football teams are on Page 8.

The season's schedule for the California Sunshine soccer team is on Page 9.



These two little guys are giving their all. To learn the outcome of their efforts see the full photo and story on Page 9.

The Scoreboard with schedules and results plus Tee Up are on Page 10.

There are stories and photos of local weddings on Page 11.

The exhibiting artist at the Library is revealed on Page 12.

Several interesting religious stories are on Page 13.

Katies Column is on Page 15.

Scott Emblidge reports on Troy High baseball on Page 16.

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## Golf. . .

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SGPA, explained why Hope and Ford couldn't make it. Seems the ex-President had been out late the previous night and was too tired to play. Hope had scheduled a meeting with him and they were going to discuss their business while playing golf but decided to stay in Palm Springs.

La Lanne had been recruited to play in Hope's place. During the long wait he had revealed that for his next birthday he was going to do something no one else had ever attempted...swim from Catalina to the mainland...underwater.

This reporter confessed to Mike Austin, another member of the foursome, that he didn't recognize his name. Mike produced a letter which revealed that he has been nominated as "Golf of the Year" for the Professional Golfer's Association.

The letter listed among his many credentials the facts that he was the inventor of several pieces of golf teaching equipment, plus paint and the stripper for driving range balls.

Austin, a handsome plus six footer in his 60's has won several tournaments. In 1955 he won the Eisenhower Open. In 1960 he was runner-up in the Southern California PGA.

Mike also won the Michigan Seniors title in 1972 and 1973 and in 1975-'76, teamed with Tom Barber, he won the Southern Cal PGA 4-ball championship. In 1976 he was one of top money winners in the Tournament Players Division of the SCPGA.

Perhaps Mike is proudest of his record drive which put him in the Guinness Book of Records. Playing in Las Vegas on a hot, dry day, with a 30 mile per hour wind at his back, Austin belted a golf ball a measured distance of 515 yards. The shot cleared the green on a 450 yard hole.

Snead reappeared. The photographers lined up the group for pictures on the first tee. Mayor Groot was flanked by the pro's. The models knelt in front of the group. Snead then posed alone for some shots.

Barber drove first. He whacked

one straight but to the right. Jimmy Clark, a member of the association's board of directors, smashed a long drive. La Lanne hit a low, long beauty which drew applause. Austin skied a towering drive.

Snead, who had been taking vigorous practice swings, wasn't pleased with his first drive that faded left. He didn't quite get all of it so he took a mulligan. The second attempt was a Snead special, long and straight. More applause after a concerted "ohhhhh" from the crowd.

A few people got into golf carts to follow the players. Most of the people left.

It was confirmed by Shafer that Hope will definitely play in the tournament in May. There's a strong possibility that Ford will, too, after initially indicating that he wouldn't.

Many celebrities will be in the pro-amateur the first two days of the tournament. Many of the biggest names in golf will be in that and the 54 hole medal play the last three days.

## J. Steffes Commended

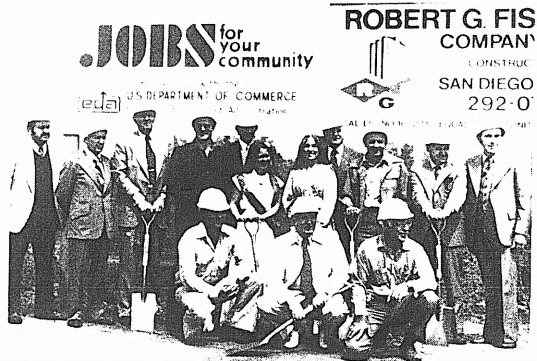
Tribute was paid to Jerry Steffes by the City Council last week when they adopted a resolution commending him for his years of service on the Volunteer Fire Department. The resolution pointed out that Steffes, a local resident since early 1941, established a business, Yorba Linda Equipment Rentals, in 1948 and joined the fire department in 1951.

During his tenure Jerry served as captain, assistant chief, vice president and president of the department. His duties required spending many hours away from his family and business.

Steffes, in addition to fighting innumerable fires and assisting in rescue calls, attended department training sessions and business meetings. He served with the firefighters for over 25 years.



**GROUND BREAKING** for the new Yorba Linda School District Educational Center at Casa Loma and Yorba Linda attracted a crowd of dignitaries. They first posed on the property and then in front of the project sign. Identifications are based on the upper photo, from left: Joe Soto, Chamber vice president; YLSD Superintendent Sterling Fox; Roy Knauff, representing Congressman Charles Wiggins; Paul Armstrong, president of YLSD Board; Princess Brenda Branskill; Lt. Don Rogers, Brea Police; Miss Yorba Linda, Laura Oberjuege; Chamber President Don Sisson; Mayor Doug Groot; Councilman Irwin Fried; Dick Omart, representing architect Davis-Duhamel; YLSD Deputy Superintendent J. Elton Patridge; Randy Foster, contractor's project manager, and Doug Menke project inspector.



## Board to Appoint

On decision of the Placentia Unified School District Board of Trustees at a specially-called Friday night meeting, the vacant board seat left by the death of Salvador Zavala will be opened to nominations and suggestions from the public.

The policy closely follows a similar program formulated by trustees of the North Orange County Community College District of which Zavala was a member. Zavala also had been reelected to that board a month before he died following brain surgery.

PUSD trustees Friday worked out a questionnaire to be immediately released to the public for persons who wish to nominate themselves for the post. All four board members indicated they will accept telephone calls as well the district office on suggestions and recommendations for the opening.

In a timeline adopted formally by the trustees, nominations will be accepted in writing until 7:45 p.m. Monday, April 25 at the district administrative offices, 1301 East Orangecorridor Avenue, Placentia. Names of applicants will be made public following the board meeting that Monday night and posted Tuesday at all schools.

Board members will study the applications at a meeting Wednesday, April 27. Oral interviews will be held beginning at 9 a.m., Saturday, April 30 and are open to the public. An announcement could be made on that date.

State law gives the board 30 days time from the vacancy to fill the post.

The PUSD board formally decided against an election, which also was its prerogative, because of the expense and because it would leave the position open until November, the earliest possible election date.

However, if the public is not satisfied with the board's selection, an election can be called mandated by petition.

Trustees outlined that anyone wishing to nominate for the vacancy may pick up an application at the district office or any school in the district. The forms consist of a

questionnaire listing name, address, phone and occupation.

Also years of residence in the district, number of children and ages, number of children in district schools, activities and positions held is included.

Written out questions sought by the board include:

1. What do you like best about the Placentia Unified School District?
2. What do you feel are the primary responsibilities of a member of the Board of Education?
3. What specific talent or expertise would you bring to the Board that you feel would be of most benefit to the district?
4. What do you perceive as being the two most important needs facing the district in the next two years and what actions should be pursued to resolve these needs?
5. Why do you wish to be appointed trustee of the Placentia Unified School District?

Trustees also listed criteria for selection as: track record of community involvement; contribution; perception of district needs and perceptual solutions; desire to serve the entire community; and conceptual ability to work well with board and staff.

The North Orange County Community College District board will receive nominations until 4 p.m. Tuesday, April 26 at the District Education Center, 1000 North Lemon Street, Fullerton. They are to be addressed to the board president Richard Noble and are to be accompanied by biographic information on nominees and applicants.

After finalists have been interviewed by the NOCCCD board, a selection will be made during a special meeting May 3. The district includes Cypress and Fullerton Colleges and an adult education program that offers classes in more than 100 locations. The district serves about 60,000 students.

Persons finally selected to fill the vacancies on both boards will serve until school elections in 1979.

## Letters To The Editor

### Hospital Visit

Dear Editor,

We've got a friend we'd like you to know about. He's the kind of person you could count on anytime and anywhere. For a thirteen year old, that maturity and sensitivity was alone unusual.

Of course, his Family played a big part in helping him to develop these qualities and in allowing his many, many interests to grow, but he, and he alone, expanded them until their scope reached hundreds of people in our community from young to old.

As an eighth grader at Yorba Linda Junior High, he held a straight A average, sang in the Boy's Chorus, was tenor in the quartet and was co-editor of our Year Book.

Although he suffered from cystic fibrosis and much of his day was devoted to mandatory physical therapy, he shot many a basket with us, joined in our outings, and bunked with us in sleeping bags—working his treatments around these things with never a mention of them or how he felt.

When breathing became labored, we knew that we'd have to be the ones to quit—he wouldn't.

At home, music, leather craft, chemistry, pro football, movies and his love of science fiction kept him busy as he shared his days with his Parents, his five Sisters, his Brother in Law and his little Niece.

No matter what the crisis, his sense of humor prevailed as when we visited him at Children's Hospital a few weeks ago.

He had lots of visitors, but on April 6th a special One came. God stopped by and when He left, He took Philip Wallace home with Him. We love you and we miss you, Phil.

Your Friends,  
Jimmie Roe  
Mike Roe  
Jon Haney

Tim Daines  
Keb Barber  
Monte Whitaker  
George Daverin

### Irate Horseowner

Dear Editor:

I am writing in regard to a recent Animal Control Questionnaire which appeared in your paper and in various other papers throughout the Orange County Area.

I was absolutely shocked upon reading its contents and the demeanor of the questions, and found it totally negative in all respects to the horse owner. My major concern was that it was so profoundly anti-horse.

Why wasn't the questionnaire directed at all owners of large animal units? I did not see one question in the form asking about cow flies, chicken odor and pig manure.

During my years in Yorba Linda I

have found it hard enough to help maintain the good image of the equine without blatant finger-pointing such as this.

It was also disturbing to have such emphasis put on licensing horses. Recently I served on the Mayor's Task Force which was involved with the acquisition of Yorba Linda's own animal control shelter and we found it very easy to come up with an amicable solution to a large animal unit service fee.

That solution was not to tax or license the horse individually, but rather to spread the cheer around in the form of an agricultural inspection fee on all RE and RA lots which were maintaining one or more large animal units.

During our negotiations on this committee, there was no singling out or "sticking it to" the horse owners for being what they are, outdoorsy kind of people who love horses, love kids, and enjoy being together in this vein.

To arbitrarily impose a simple "horse tax" or "horse license" is very discriminatory and could only serve to vex those of us who have horses and tax taxed, while our neighbors with cows, goats, chickens, etcetera escape the levy.

I sincerely hope that the Yorba Linda City Council does take favor with our recent animal control directive and puts a stop to this discrimination against horse owners.

Yorba Linda is a beautiful city, an elite city, and one of the last cities in Orange County where one can keep a horse in social comfort.

Best regards,  
MALLORY TRUMAN, President  
Yorba Linda Country Riders

### Council. . .

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Board of Directors against Yorba Linda School District, the city, and Orange County (the suit, for a reported \$196,000, was brought by the organization as the result of a dispute with the school district over ownership of facilities at the field, which itself is owned by the district, continuation of city services at the site is incumbent upon Little League; complete dismissal of the suit by Little League; should this not occur, Council accepted City Attorney Leonard Hampe's recommendation that the city "vigorously defend" itself; (See related story).

\*Adopted a resolution establishing a two-year term of office for members of city committees (affected are members of the traffic, equestrian, and beautification committees); and

\*Invited applications from interested members of the public for a vacancy on the Orange County Community Development Council Board of Directors.

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## Police Beat

Sunday, April 17

Coins and jewelry valued at \$2980 were stolen over the weekend from the home of Mariane M. Justice, 19742 Hillock, Yorba Linda.

Saturday, April 16

Between Wednesday morning and Saturday afternoon, the garage of Margaret S. Bemis, 5141 Los Altos, Yorba Linda, was looted of \$480 worth of belongings, including a CB antenna; reins, halter, saddle and a brush-and-shears set; and four fishing poles.

## Talented Youngster is First

It has been estimated that an election will cost around \$20,000.

The board appointee will not be able to vote following his selection for the first 30 days to give the electorate time to petition. If an election is called, the appointment would then be negated.

piano rendition of Franz Schubert's "Serenade". He now moves to divisional competition.

James is a fifth grader at the Mabel Paine school in Mrs. Mary Mullins class. He has been studying piano for 2½ years with Mrs. Deanne Shimizu.

In addition to his interest in the piano, James was a member of the championship Warrior football team in the Placentia-Yorba Linda Pop Warner program. The team had an 11-0 record this year.

James also plays Little League baseball and is currently on the Astros coached by Jack Stoerck. In addition, he is a wrestler on the North Orange County YMCA team.

He has a sister, Wendy, age 6, who also attends Mabel Paine, and a brother, Danny, age 3 months. His father is a marketing executive at Hunt-Wesson Foods in Fullerton.



JAMES FRAWLEY, JR.



**PRIZE WINNER—Tamara Louise Eaton, 17, 6081 Brookmont, Yorba Linda won Honorable Mention in a national photographic contest with this picture taken in an airplane over Portland, Oregon. Tammy called the photo "Golden Fleece". The Esperanza High senior is a 10 year member of the Orange County Camp Fire Council. The contest was sponsored by Camp Fire Girls and Eastman Kodak Company.**







